



EXHIBIT A

QUICKSILVER TECHNOLOGY INVENTION DISCLOSURE

TITLE OF INVENTION (short title and description)		Date Submitted: _____
Title: [Predictive Resource Allocation] — Label M		
Description: — Label E		Label A
The [control program responsible for directing data flow through one, or more, detached processors] is given a description of what those detached processors will need to execute or resources they will need to assign (e.g., memory) ahead of the actual execution of the programs [executing on those processors. [Hence the control program can take action on preparing those programs or resources ahead of the time they are actually needed.] [The description is furnished in terms of a script of the items and the point at which they will be needed and by whom.] — Label F		
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SOLUTION

The proposed solution is to provide the controlling program (or central Operating System dispatcher/scheduler) a description of the execution sequence of the program which also includes a list of resources, when they are required and when they can be released. Hence the controlling program is aware of the application flow sequence and the resource requirements *ahead of the actual execution of the application*. Thus the controlling program is able to assign the resources ahead of need and release them for other use when no longer required. [The list, or description, of resource requirements is provided to the controlling program at the start of execution. This list is referred to as a "script" (i.e., the accepted term for a task description interpreted by a program at execution of that program.)]

Example:

An application running in a multiprocessor environment executes function X on processor Q and function Y on processor R, then Z on Q. However, Z cannot execute until Y is complete. Function X requires a 100 Kbyte buffer, Z requires a 200 Kbyte buffer. X can surrender its 100 Kbyte buffer, but only when Y is done (allowing the control program to reuse the space for Z's 200 Kbyte buffer). The script might appear as follows -

PROCESS X EXECUTES ON Q; [NEEDS: BUFFER 100K REF BB]

PROCESS Y EXECUTES ON R

PROCESS Z EXECUTES ON Q WAIT FOR Y; NEEDS: BUFFER 200K; FREE BB

[Hence the controlling processor has a road map of exactly what will happen in the program prior to actual execution and can decide how to optimize memory allocation far in advance of need. (The actual execution of the application program will cause the request for execution of X, Y and Z as well as their requests for their buffers.) *The important feature of this invention is that the controlling processor knows the execution sequence and requirements well ahead of time and can therefore optimize the resource allocation.* Thus resource assignment is *predictive* (ahead of time) rather than *reactive* (at time of need).]



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CRITICAL DATES INFORMATION

Date invention workable: Immediate

Used or Planned for product ☐ Yes ☒ No

Product name: _____

Release date: _____

Announce date: _____

Public Demonstration ☐ Yes ☒ No

Demo date: _____

Location: _____

Disclosed outside of QST ☐ Yes ☒ No

Disclosure date: _____

Location: _____

Used in Manufacturing ☐ Yes ☒ No

Manufacture date: _____

Location: _____

Product: _____

Other (Please specify)



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DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION:

Describe the reason for the invention (Problem) and describe the invention and how it resolves the problem (Solution). Attach a **DIAGRAM** of the invention.

PROBLEM

Problem addressed is:

- a. How to assign memory and other processor resources in advance of their actual use?
- b. How to coordinate the assignment of the memory or other resources with the program execution such that assignment and need are synchronized (i.e., assignment takes place ahead of need in a dynamically changing assignment application)?

Example –

A processor X needs a memory buffer of 100,000 bytes before executing program segment, or function, Q. The memory buffer is only needed at that time and *not before nor after*. Assigning the 100,000 bytes prior to execution is wasteful because it is only needed for Q; this would tie up the 100,000 bytes for the entire execution of the program.



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EVALUATION QUESTIONS

If this problem has been solved before, how was it solved?

Not aware that the problem has been solved in a dynamic environment, especially not in a multiprocessor context.

Why is your solution better?

It enables resources (e.g., memory, coprocessors) to be assigned ahead of need and the assignment to be coordinated with the needs of other program functions.

Who outside of QST (competitors) would want to use your solution?

Any competitor designing a multiprocessor system for maximum performance.

How would QST discover that competitors were using your solution?

Research.

Please list and provide any and all documentation or Prior Art related to this invention:

Have not researched Prior Art.

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